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## Casco Bay Islands - MAINE

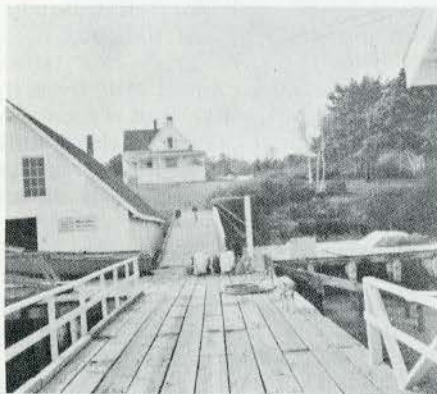


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*A day to come shows longer than a year that's gone.*

(Sundial Motto)

Fall 1967



Rand's Marina, boathouse and home.

For all who don't know them — and not many get to know them well — the Rands of Little Diamond are about the most interesting and unique American family hereabouts.

Speak of private enterprise, hard work, independence, intelligent management of a fine family, and the carving out of a good living from the sea and its environs — and you have the Rand family: Ted, recently re-elected president of the Casco Bay Island Development Association; Audrey, his blue-eyed blond wife; and Jill, 3; Julie, 7; Gale, 8; Mark, 13 and Eric, 14.

This tightly-knit family of seven are the only year round residents of Little Diamond Island. Their life is rugged, healthy, happy and unusual. And it's not at all filled with the hardships many a mainlander would imagine.

Ted, a graduate of the University of Maine, is a contractor, surveyor, lobsterman, marina proprietor, and can turn his hand to any trade involving the sea or land. He's also a deep thinker, studious reader, dabbles in writing, and is a devotee of Don Doane's dance band! When he says something it's to the point for he seldom wastes words.

Audrey, a trained nurse who met Ted through her friendship with his sisters, also nurses, mothers her flock of blue-eyed towheads with efficient and loving attention. She also runs down to the wharf to pump fuel into the boats of customers; tend the small store, or cook lobsters for a party.

Incidentally, Audrey doesn't like boats, could even live without the sea beside her, can't stand the taste of seafood, but she obviously enthuses about the way of life she and Ted have built. She's such a devoted wife and mother that whatever her husband likes — and Ted likes the sea — she adapts to.

### THE Rands OF LITTLE DIAMOND



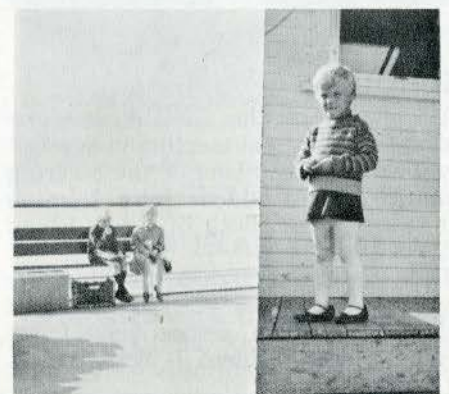
Audrey tending the gas pump.

People ask me "Aren't you cold out there?" And she says indignantly, "What do you think, I'm sitting out here freezing with five children?"

The other most common banal question is "What do you do?" Visit Audrey and her family at any time of year and you'll find no one is idle or bored. In spring, summer and fall, the Marina is a family affair and the household is busy with projects and activities. In the winter every week-end is planned and busy. Either there's company coming or the whole family is off to town visiting one or the other of the children's grandparents. Ted and Audrey's folks live in South Portland and Bangor.

"Of course I can't easily run out shopping any evening I choose, but we probably go more, and entertain more than most of the people we know who live on the mainland," says Audrey.

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Julie and Gale going home from school and tiny Jill waiting to greet them.

### LATE NEWS

Current indications are that the State of Maine will probably acquire the Long Island Navy Fuel Base to be used by the Southern Maine Vocational Training School as an oceanographic research base.

Schools — CBIDA board voted supporting the objections of Cliff and Long Island mothers in a school department proposal to consolidate island schools and boat all small children to Peaks. While there is merit in the objectives to improve educational procedures and modernize programs, the impracticality of boating small children in all kinds of weather was unthinkable. The plan had been undertaken without prior consultation with the communities involved.

### DONNA McINTYRE — MISS PEAKS ISLAND



DONNA McINTYRE — MISS PEAKS ISLAND

Honored for courage as well as beauty the entire community got behind Donna when she was a candidate for Miss Peaks Island last summer.

Donna has been the victim of cerebral palsy since birth. But she has persevered in overcoming much of her handicap and she is always right there when things need doing. She was a leader in the Keep Our Island Beautiful campaign against litter; she's a good student at Portland High School and is determined to find an occupation within her capacity. Always active in church affairs, she grew up in the Junior Choir. Donna is one in whom our Casco Bay area may well take pride. She's going places.

She's the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard McIntyre who have four other children.



## NOR' BY EAST

## Box 66, Peaks Island, Maine

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Winthrop K. Deane  
Treasurer



Mary Deane  
Secretary

## ELECTIONS

All officers of the CBIDA were re-elected at the annual meeting in September. Two new members of the Steering Committee were added: John Johnson and Sidney True, both of Peaks Island and Portland.

Ted Rand and Frank Sheldon are serving their second year as president and vice president respectively. Larry Stevens, a past president, is again recording secretary.

A special mention is appropriate for the man and wife team who are truly the backbone of CBIDA. Mary and Win Deane are the ones who keep the machinery oiled, the mail mailed, the accounts accounted, and without whom CBIDA could never function as the business organization it now is.

All who are on the receiving end of Nor' by East, and all other CBIDA activities may not realize the hours and hours of work, the vast amount of addressing, and keeping the funds straight which falls upon the Deanes. With the increasing responsibility of the Association in landholding and developing Project Oceanside, plus being accountable to bondholders who have put up the \$50,000 investment; plus being also the guardians and planners of the public trust as represented by the \$5,000 legislative appropriation as well as city interests — all this, represents a big piece of business for our small community.

It is therefore with appreciation that Nor' by East editorially commends this loyal team. Mary is now in her eighth year as secretary, and Win having served all offices — is trustee and keeper of the financial records perennially as well as civic leader in many other capacities.

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An annual event at Rand's Marina is a large Boat House dance for the boating public for which Ted and Audrey are hosts. More than two hundred attended this year and boat parking became a problem! (Press Herald Photo)

## LATE NEWS BRIEFS

**Bay Pollution** — an intensive effort is being lead by Coast Guard Captain Eugene F. Walsh to clean up Portland Harbor and put into effect the enforcement of rules to get rid of refuse in the Bay. Residents and boaters alike will benefit.

**Police** — Following a petition circulated on Peaks last summer, representatives of organizations met with City Manager John Menario in September with CBIDA setting up the hearing. The group was promised remedial measures to be more specifically spelled out before another summer.

## NOTICE TO READERS

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## THE RANDS OF LITTLE DIAMOND

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All five children — except Jill who is pre-school age — know no other way of life than commuting by boat to school. They do the first six grades at Peaks and then are in town for junior and senior high school. They take part in extra-curricular activities always adapting to the boat schedule or knowing when necessary daddy's boat will be waiting to pick them up.

The lovely modernized house — a former government surplus property — has all conveniences and is attractively decorated with lots of pine panelling, white cabinets, red and yellow kitchen where the smell of hot date-nut bread fresh from the oven greets the visitor. The house is about a half mile from the public landing where the Casco Bay boats dock, but the children think nothing of the walk with the older boys beating a path through the snow in the winter.

All improvements have been earned the hard way. "Ted used to saw wood by hand, but now he has a chain saw. We used to burn wood in the furnace but now we have oil," relates Audrey.

And, speaking of fortitude, this "do-it-yourself" family, overcame a setback shortly after they settled on the island. Ted had to spend nearly a year hospitalized. Audrey and two children went home to mother for that year. But then they picked up where they left off and today they could take all honors as a real example of successful enterprise, and good family living.

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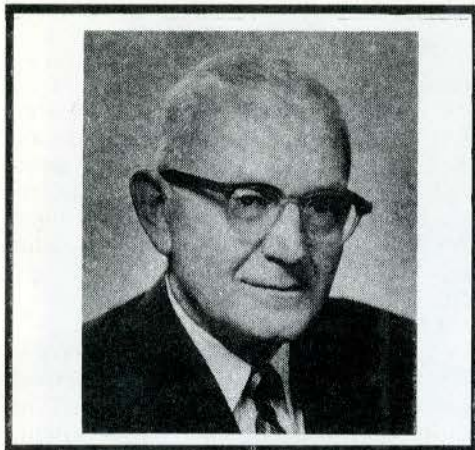
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## WE LOSE A TRUE FRIEND

By Robert Skillings

Co-workers on this publication and a wide circle of friends were saddened by the death of John W. Chapman of Peaks Island, and recently of Augusta, on September 10 at Thayer Hospital, Waterville.

Typical of his energetic work for the islands his last public project was in assisting those doing percolation tests on Project Oceanside house lots. The mosquitoes were vicious and even as he toted mosquito repellent to the firemen, he himself was badly bitten. Although medical facts indicate his death was by acute leukemia, it is known that the infection came to a head following the insect bites.

As promoter of advertising in Nor' by East, he supplied it with its life blood, and in large measure gave an answer to the query of one professional in public relations: "How can such a good little magazine be produced with wholly volunteer labor up to the point of printing?"

Through determination John had overcome the handicaps of a slight stroke six years ago which precipitated his retirement from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. with which he was associated for 36 years, many of the latter as public information director in the company's Boston office.

A native of West Virginia, graduate of Brown University and former newspaperman with the Providence Journal, he was also active for many years in Lions and was one of the founders of the eye research program in Boston.

An enthusiastic Bay booster, he was past president of the Casco Bay Island Development Association, and chairman of its steering committee at the time of his death.

Last year the Chapmans purchased a home in Augusta where Mrs. Chapman is employed by the State Department of Health and Welfare. For the first time in many years they closed their island home for the winter, whereupon John found constructive activities as a volunteer for the Division of Eye Care, and also for Togus Veterans' Hospital.

Well-known in the halls of the Maine Legislature, he was instrumental in lobbying for the new car ferry landing at Peaks and, in last winter's session, for the \$5,000 appropriation to help plan the International Center.

## THEY ARE MISSED

To the relatives and friends of Mrs. Clifford Randall of Peaks, Mr. Maurice Eaton of Cliff Island and South Portland; Mr. Joseph Davis of Cliff Island and Philadelphia; Mrs. Charles Ritchie of Peaks and Portland; Mrs. Albert May and Mrs. Daniel Mahony of Peaks, Nor' by East extends deepest sympathy.

Each of these beloved island residents served their communities generously and effectively.

Frances Randall, admired for her courage over physical adversity, and for her social welfare services to others, was an institution in herself. She left an indelible mark in the world and a fine family to keep her faith.

Maurice Eaton, Steering Committee member of CBIDA; president of the Cliff Island Association, and a motion picture projectionist for over 45 years, was again the kind of person it's hard to do without.

Marie Ritchie, always remembered for her intensive community interests in beautification programs, garden club founder, Miss Peaks Island pageant leader — succumbed after a long illness. Her role has left us with vacancies impossible to fill.

Joseph Davis, an expert in horticulture, had contributed greatly to the benefit of Cliff Island. The many rare trees he has imported and planted will be his living memory.

Mrs. Albert May, faithful member of St. Christopher's Parish, was another good neighbor among us on Peaks.

Mrs. Daniel Mahony, was also called from our midst after a productive life.

1967 will long be remembered for the vacant chairs it has left. If we have overlooked mention of others — it's due to lack of information, but not lack of feeling.

His joy in living seems to have been derived mostly from the extent of service rendered to others. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund was established to help carry on his way of life.

In accordance with his wishes he was cremated and his ashes scattered in Casco Bay off Whaleback, from Ted Rand's lobsterboat. Daughter Priscilla from London, and wife, Bee, took the sad trip.

Later the same day, a widely-attended memorial service was held at Whaleback with sun and surf gracing the occasion with beauty. Winthrop Deane opened the service with a warm tribute following which Rev. Robert E. Blake of the Brackett Memorial Church, and Rev. John T. Crozier of St. Christopher's Parish brought together the community spirit so represented by John's life.

## THE JOHN W. CHAPMAN MEMORIAL FUND

This fund, in charge of Winthrop K. Deane, trustee, now exceeds \$700 and will be used for human service on Peaks Island. The fund is open-ended and may be added to at any time. The first award, either to a deserving individual or for a specific kind of service, will be made on April 20, which would have been John's 70th birthday.



MISS MILDRED DAVIS and her dog "Willie" at her Chebeague Island home. Miss Davis, a former school principal in Connecticut, resides in Portland winters. (Photo by John Chapman in 1966)

## CHEBEAGUE ISLAND NOTES

By Ray Hayward

The Chebeague Grange is sponsoring Arts and Crafts Nights at the Grange Hall twice monthly. Started last summer experimentally, the sessions are proving popular and will be continued throughout the year. Volunteer instruction is provided by Page Richardson, Richard MacCormack, Martha Hamilton, Betty Healey and Shirley Burgess. All members of the community are welcome.

**Library Art Exhibit** — The second annual exhibit brought an increase in participation requiring an extra school-room for junior artists under sixteen years of age and over fifty exhibits by adults.

Ribbons awarded by popular vote went to Mrs. Alger Burgess, Mrs. Ernest Burgess, Mrs. Barton Curit, Gordon Trower and Martha Trower.

Junior winners were David Anderson, John Howard, Jim Dykes, Christopher Rich, and Edmund Doughty.

The Library scheduled its first Story Hour for children 3 to 7 and plans to expand the program next year.

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## TO ALL WHO ENDURE GRIEF

*Here in the weary nights when you are dead,  
I shall not weep the childish tears of grief,  
Remembering you told me life was brief  
And death of love the only death to dread.*

*I shall walk bravely on the way you led,  
Hold your high code of honor and belief,  
And wear as lightly as a laurel leaf  
The burden of your hopes upon my head.*

*And if they say I have forgotten soon —  
They cannot know this gift of life is best,  
For dying, I might seek you in the moon  
Or find you in the sunsets of the west.*

*They cannot know as you, beloved, do  
That all my living is for love of you.*



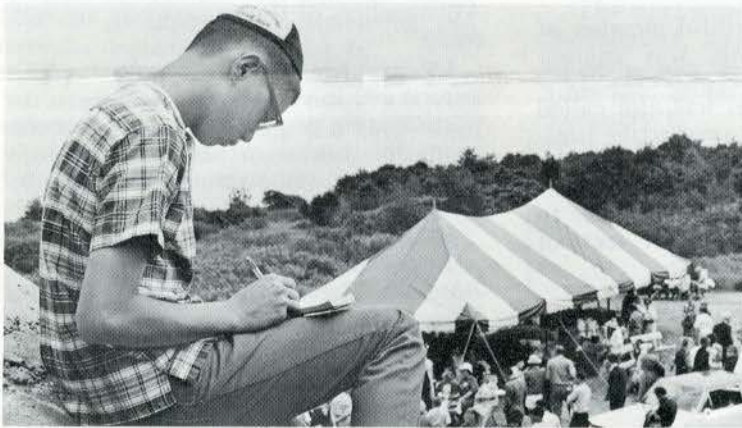
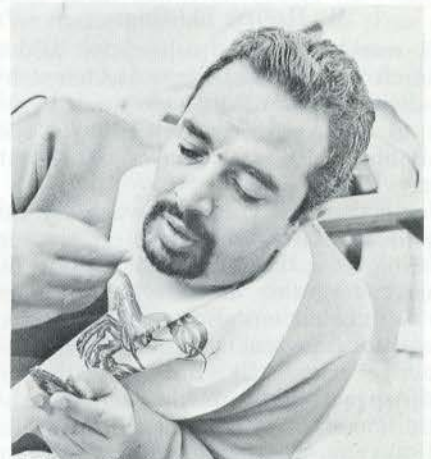


Photo (1) The Allen Barkers of Little Diamond with guests from Yugoslavia. (2) New Japanese visitors are shown lobster technique by South Portland residents Mrs. Paul Pineau (native of Japan) and her American Air Force husband. (3) Couple from India chat with State representative "Bart" Sullivan. (4) Couple from Germany discuss plans for International Vacation Center on Peaks. (5) Lebanese journalist looks apprehensively at a clam. (6) Student takes notes from on top Battery Steele. (7) Greek journalist getting his lobster as state representative Rodney L. Scribner is next in line.

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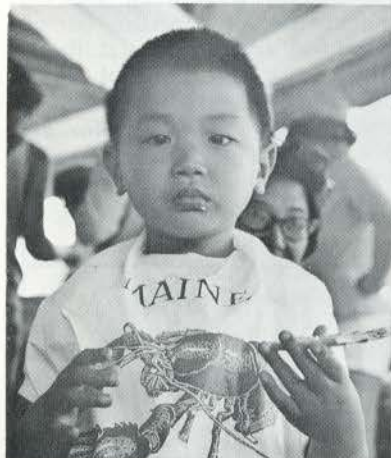


Photo (8) U.S. Representative Peter Kyros addresses group as portion of large crowd is shown in background. (9) The Prindall Folksingers added gaiety to the clambake. (10) Korean boy takes his party seriously while munching hardtack. (11) Allysion Barker of Little Diamond pledges continuing friendship with guest from Yugoslavia in front of Battery Steele. (12) The Paul Puppeteers who enraptured both children and adults at an evening program on Peaks. (13) Edward Langlois, manager of the Maine Port Authority was master of ceremonies. (14) Tot from Greece shows Holly DiBisce how she knows the American salute to the flag. (15) International friendship starting young as Robert Deane (who was born in Germany) kisses girl from Germany. (Robert is the grandson of Win and Mary Deane.)

Photo credits: By Press Herald, Associated Press, Department of Economic Development, and Ruth Sargent.

## HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL FOURTH INTERNATIONAL EVENT

Thanks to chairman Bob Laughlin and his excellent committee, the most eventful fourth International hospitality program christened Battery Steele as the hoped-for future center for International visitors.

Another layer of permanent friendships has indeed been established, and another dimension of relationships made as this year three families from U.N. Missions were included with the journalists.

In the words of Bob Laughlin: "There is a real human interest story shown by the experiences and friendly interchange of spirit that lie behind this event and its

continuing communications. To all of us who have been involved in this program we feel richly benefited. To those islanders who have not yet participated in the program we offer the hope that they too may someday experience the close sense of World Wide Brotherhood that meeting and entertaining these fine people from far away places can bring."

Typical of the host and guest relationships is this from Gloria Nilsen, who with her husband Morgan, and children Karen and Chris, entertained a family from Cyprus: "We love our internationals and knowing them has made

their respective countries mean more to us, especially the children. There is, of course, a burden of expense and effort in entertaining these U.N. guests, but the rewards are great and the memories so wonderful."

And this from their guests: "Dear Gloria, The children, Demos and I will be talking about our stay with you for months to come. Since we have returned to New York we are remembering your beautiful small island, the very kind people we met and the most exciting fishing hours. Christian and Stephanice do not forget Karen and Chris."



**"FEATHEREST" ON LONG ISLAND**

In October 1966 Derrick and Charlotte Gibbens of Waltham, Massachusetts bought from the Horace Altmans of Wellesley the old Stevens-Winslow cottage on Harbor de Grace, Long Island. Early in January two Island carpenters went to work converting the cottage into a permanent year-round home for the Gibbens. The house now bears little resemblance to the original cottage. Its six picture windows overlook Harbor de Grace, the ocean and the woods. The birch panelled interior has been designed not to attract the eye away from the out-of-doors. Electric heat and a Franklin stove give comfort at all seasons.

Quite close behind the house is a small fresh water pond where the gulls love to bathe. As they go back to the ocean they almost always fly over the Gibbens property. Their habit of shaking off the fresh water often results in a shower of soft feathers which gently come to rest near the Gibbens home. For this reason they have named the house "FEATHEREST".



Charlotte Gibbens and Gay (Mrs. Emil) Duquette of Harbor Lights, Long Island, are sisters who have spent summers on Long Island since their childhood. In 1941 Charlotte (then Raymond) went to England with the American Red Cross-Harvard Field Hospital. She remained in England for eleven years. In 1952 The Gibbens came to the United States and Derrick decided to stay and become a citizen. He quickly came to share Charlotte's love for Maine and "FEATHEREST" is their dream come true.

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Projects started last summer and to be continued next include painting Elwell Hall, a new walkway to be built, and new backstop for the tennis court. A float has been provided by the City to be maintained by the Association. Older teenagers have been active in helping with island improvements.

**CLIFF ISLAND REPORTS —**

Several properties have been sold recently but there is still a waiting list of those who would like to buy if there were anything available, and of those already looking for rentals for 1968.

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
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### NEW RESIDENT OPENS BUSINESS ON PEAKS ISLAND



Joy Frederickson in her Kay Kraft Shop on Welch Street. (Sargent photo)

Mrs. Joy Frederickson arrived on Peaks with tiny English car and huge ambition.

She was born in Ascot, Berkshire, England of an actress mother and Royal Navy Commander father. She attended the London Polytechnic School of Art and Brighton College, Sussex, England.

She was a fashion designer specializing in beachwear and traveled extensively in this field, retiring when her first husband died in 1964.

Last summer she bought the Kay Kraft gift and novelty shop in the Baxter Building and has recently moved the business to Welch Street on Peaks.

Joy says she is happy here on the island and people have been very friendly.

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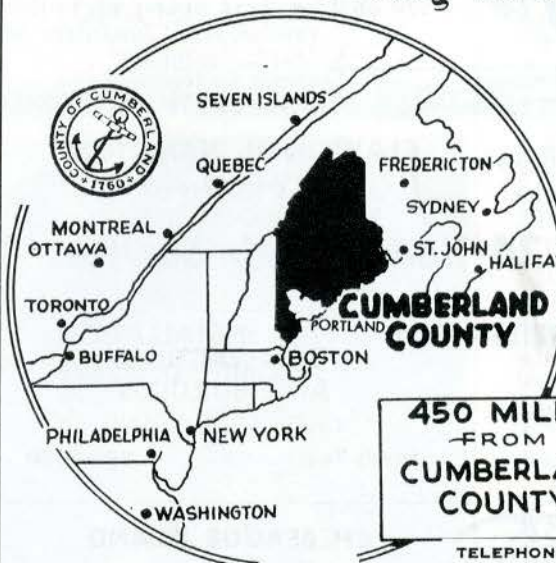
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Mary and Millicent Stroup  
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Mr. and Mrs. Roland Highes  
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Mr. and Mrs. Stavros Alexander  
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Mrs. C. F. Hall  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Williams

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It has been built on a tree shaded cliff, overlooking the water and the glass front affords an excellent view of the Diamonds and Portland.

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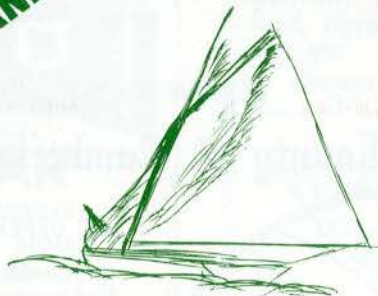
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